Reservation in Legislative Councils and Rajya Sabha

†2722. SHRI ISAM SINGH: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to introduce reservations in the Legislative Councils and the Rajya Sabha on the pattern of the Gram Sabhas, the District Panchayats and the Lok Sabha; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI H.R. BHARDWAJ): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Tribunal for resolutions of tax related disputes

2723. SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA : Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any proposal for constitution of an apex tribunal for resolution of the disputes in tax related cases, direct and indirect; and

(b) if so, the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI H.R. BHARDWAJ): (a) The National Tax Tribunal Bill 2004 which provides for setting up of a National Tax Tribunal for deciding cases relating to both direct and indirect taxes has been introduced in the Lok Sabha on 6th December, 2004. The Bill Stand referred to Parliamentary Standing Committee on Personnel, Public Grievances and Law and Justice.

Review of royalty rates of core minerals

†2724. SHRI P.K. MAHESHWARI : Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is provision to review the royality rates by Government on core minerals once in every three years under Section

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.